



Marcia Jane Elliott

May 11, 1943 - January 25, 2026

Marcia Jane Elliott, lovingly known as Janie, passed away on January 25, 2026, at Saint Teresa Hospital in Wichita, Kansas. Born on May 11, 1943, Janie was a lifelong resident of Elk County and a woman whose life was stitched together with love, hard work, and deep devotion to family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Bill and Mary (Shipman) Scott; her beloved husband of 57 years, James Patrick Elliott "Pat" Jr.; her nephew Matt Samuels; her brother Carl Scott; and her sister, Reta Strotkamp.

She is survived by her three sons: Steven Elliott of Clinton, Iowa; Chris Elliott and wife Cindy of Howard, Kansas; and Jon Elliott of Howard, Kansas. Her legacy lives on through her grandchildren: Larissa Elliott of Wichita, Kansas; Cody Elliott and wife Katrina of Quapaw, Oklahoma; Cassandra Elliott of Grandville, Illinois; and Clayton Elliott and fiancée Shelbie Atkinson of Moline, Kansas. She was also blessed with four great-grandchildren: Temperence, Sedona, Grayson, and Anderson. She is survived by her sister, Cheryl Tyson of Eureka, Kansas, along with several nieces, nephews, and extended family who cherished her dearly.

Janie attended Pawpaw School and Fall River before graduating from Howard High School. She married Pat on December 30, 1961, beginning a story that lasted nearly six decades. Together they built a life in the country, raising three

spirited boys into three hard-working men, countless chickens and cats, and a home filled with love.

Janie spent 28 years caring for residents at the Howard Twilight Manor Nursing Home, where her kindness and compassion left a lasting mark. She eventually retired from her work there, but her instinct to care for others never did.

Her hands were rarely still. Sewing was not just a skill but her passion. She created more quilts than could ever be counted, each one a masterpiece, each one treasured by its recipient. She crocheted beautiful afghans, donated handmade items to those in need, and could bring any idea to life with fabric and thread. If you wore something with a hole, Janie would notice and insist you bring it to her for mending. Her love showed up in stitches, seams, and quiet acts of care.

She was also a wonderful cook and baker. Her grandchildren hold close memories of baking cookies, making candy and homemade noodles in her kitchen, exploring the farm on adventures, and soaking up the comfort of simply being near her. The girls especially remember Grandma making amazing homemade Barbie furniture and clothes, sometimes crafted from Grandpa's socks and that she gave the very best hugs. The boys recall a time they wanted to play in a boat full of water, but didn't have swimsuits, grandma said that didn't matter and let them play in it stark naked for hours!

Janie loved gardening, babies (humans and animals alike), word searches, Westerns, and a good conversation. She had a gift for making people feel seen and known, often learning your life story within minutes of meeting you. She was tough, kind, honest, and deeply loving. If you met her even once, you felt it immediately.

Her life was simple in the best way, rooted in family, service, creativity, and love. Her legacy lives on in every quilt, every recipe, every repaired hem, and every heart she touched.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, February 2, 2026, at 1:00 pm at the funeral home, with burial to follow at Cresco Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Sunday, February 1, 2026, from 4-6 pm. Memorials in her memory have been suggested to either the Elk County Ambulance Service or the Elk County Rural Fire District and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home. Online condolences may be left at www.countrysidefh.com Services are under the direction of Countryside Funeral Home 206 E. Washington, P.O. Box 1233, Howard, KS 67349

Cemetery Details

Cresco Cemetery

US HWY 99 & Rock Rd
Howard, KS 67349

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 1. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Countryside Funeral Home - Howard
206 E. Washington
P.O. Box 1233
Howard, KS 67349
(620) 374-2381

Service

FEB 2. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Marcia J. Elliott*



Countryside Funeral Home - February 01 at 06:17 PM

EP

An amazing tribute to a wonderful and great lady!!!! RIP Marcia!!!

Eugene Perkins - May 07 at 05:30 AM

BC

“ *Bob, Dave, Janet and Gina Crank purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Marcia Jane Elliott.*



Bob, Dave, Janet and Gina Crank - January 30 at 05:13 PM

VC

“ *i never knew Marcia but knew of her family. i went to Upper Paw Paw school for 6 years till it closed down.*



velma conklin - January 30 at 12:33 PM

WM

“ Wiseman Family - Jeff & Mindy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marcia Jane Elliott.

Wiseman Family - Jeff & Mindy - January 30 at 11:53 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Marcia Jane Elliott.



January 30 at 11:53 AM

CC

“ Curtis and Sheri Carey purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Marcia Jane Elliott.



Curtis and Sheri Carey - January 30 at 12:33 AM

KW

“ Kyle, Debra, Shelbie, Wanda planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marcia Jane Elliott.

Kyle, Debra, Shelbie, Wanda - January 29 at 03:55 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Marcia Jane Elliott.*



January 29 at 03:55 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Marcia Jane Elliott.*



January 29 at 01:19 PM



“ *Todd & Julie and Edwin & Tracie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marcia Jane Elliott.*

Todd & Julie and Edwin & Tracie - January 29 at 01:19 PM



“ *Quiet, gentle, kind, strong, practical, helpful, talented, generous hearted.
A lovely and shy high school classmate of mine and Ron's cousin.
You lived your life well, Marcia Jane, and we will miss you.
Ron and Connie Shipman*

connie Shipman - January 29 at 12:53 PM

CC

“ *Chip&Nancy Crum lit a candle in memory of Marcia Jane Elliott*



Chip&Nancy Crum - January 29 at 10:39 AM

SS

“ *Prayers for the family.*



Sharron Spurrier - January 29 at 09:29 AM

TM

I didn't know her but went to school with her two oldest son. Prayers for the family

Tracy McDonald - February 07 at 01:12 PM